



A day out

Lesson code: XBPS-35CE-JIXP

PRE-INTERMEDIATE

1 Places to go

Match the names of places with the pictures.

a bowling alley
an aquarium

a castle
an art gallery

a museum
a theater

an aqua park
a theme park



1. _____



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



6. _____



7. _____



8. _____

With a partner, think of other places to go for a day out.

Now, read what four different people like to do. Choose the best place for them to go to enjoy a day out. There is more than one possible answer for each person.

Camilla: "I enjoy dancing, cooking and fashion. I also like watching drama on TV and will sometimes draw pictures in my notebook. I don't really like going for walks or playing sports."

Adam: "I like exercise and doing exciting things, but I'm not very interested in swimming. Also, I really like to play games."

Sophie: "I like to read a lot about history. I like to visit cities, see interesting places, and I will usually buy souvenirs. I don't like computer games or watching movies."

Sean: "When I was young I went swimming all the time. I still do it today. I'm always happy when I am in the water. I don't really like looking at pictures or old things."

Where do you like to go for days out? Do you like to go with family, friends, or by yourself?



2 A coupon for a day out

***** Pirates Adventure Park *****

2 for 1

Two adults can visit the amazing Pirates Adventure Park for the price of 1!

Adult ticket price : £25

Coupon can't be used with any other discounts. Offer not available on special event days.

Use between 01.11.2016 and 30.11.2016

***** Pirates Adventure Park - Green Park, Foreston, UK *****

Look at the coupon to a theme park. Put T (True) or F (False) next to the sentences below.

1. The theme park has space rides.
2. Two adults pay £25 to get into the park with the coupon.
3. You can use the coupon until Christmas 2016.
4. You can also get a 20% discount if you have a different coupon.
5. You can't use the coupon when there are special events at the park.
6. The park is in the United Kingdom.

3 Grammar - simple past

Complete the sentences with a verb in the past simple form.

buy climb go look see swim watch win

1. Marco _____ the sharks swim close to him at the aquarium.
2. Emily _____ on the big wheel at the theme park even though she is scared of heights.
3. Beatrice and Samantha _____ a very long play at the theater.
4. Sergei _____ the bowling competition again. It's the second time this month!
5. Patricia _____ at paintings in the art gallery but she only liked a few of them.
6. Graham _____ 128 steps when he went up the tower at the castle.
7. Karolina _____ a lot of postcards at the museum gift shop to send to her friends.
8. Xander _____ at the aqua park put he didn't go on any of the slides.



4 Buying tickets at an art gallery

A visitor wants to buy tickets for an exhibition at an art gallery. Listen to the dialogue and fill in the gaps.

Visitor: Good morning.

Assistant: Good morning. How may I help you?

Visitor: We would like to see the _____ ¹ photography exhibition. How much is it please?

Assistant: It's £7.50 for adults, but children get in free.

Visitor: OK, great. Two adults please.

Assistant: There is also a new exhibition on the second _____ ², would you like tickets for that too?

Visitor: Hmm, what's in that exhibition?

Assistant: Some very _____ ³ Japanese paintings from the 18th century.

Visitor: Er, no that's okay thank you, just the tickets for the photography exhibition please.

Assistant: That will be £15 please. Would you like to pay with cash or _____ ⁴ ?

Visitor: Cash. Here you are.

Assistant: Thank you. Here are your tickets, and your _____ ⁵. Would you like a map of the gallery?

Visitor: Yes please. Is it free to get into the _____ ⁶ of the gallery?

Assistant: Yes, it is. It's just the special exhibitions you have to pay for. Please leave your coats and any big bags in the _____ ⁷. It's just before you go up the stairs on the right.

Visitor: OK, thanks. And the toilets?

Assistant: They're _____ ⁸ the cafe. Enjoy your visit.

Visitor: Thank you. Bye.



5 Talking about a day out

You can use the expressions below to describe a day out.
Put the phrases into the right category.

It didn't go very well.
It was fantastic.
It wasn't much fun.
It was really awful.
It was very boring.

It was amazing.
It was lots of fun.
It wasn't that great.
It was really great.
It went really well.

A good day: _____

A bad day: _____

6 Practice

Talk about a day out that you had recently with a partner. Use some of the phrases above to describe it, and remember to use the simple past tense when you are talking.

Example: Last week, I went to the aquarium. It was fantastic as they had a lot of different fish. They even had some sharks!

